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For: A METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION OF (2S, 3AR, 7AS)-OCTAHYDRO-III-

INDOLE-2-CARBOXYLIC ACID AS KEY INTERMEDIATE IN THE PREPARATION

OF TRANDOLAPRIL BY REACTING A CYCLOHEXYL AZIRIDINE WITH A

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February 20, 2008

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Sir:

RESPONSE

This is responsive to the Official Action dated January 30, 2008, in which restriction was required between five different groups of claims which included an election of species for each of the five different groups.

Applicants elect the subject matter of Group I, namely claims 1-9 drawn to a process of making the product of formula I.

As the single disclosed species, applicants elect R_1 as being hydrogen and in the non-salt form.

Counsel understands that the examination will be based upon the claims as amended in the Preliminary Amendment filed May 25, 2006.

When examining this application please take into account the documents cited in the International Search Report as listed in the completed form attached to the Preliminary

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Amendment just mentioned as well as the Information Disclosure Statement of November 28, 2006.

It is counsel's understanding the search will be conducted initially as to the elected species and then broadened to include the full range of the examined claims consistent with the results of that search.

An examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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